

HOUSE BILL 1007  
By Fowlkes

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33  
and Title 40, relative to forensic services in  
criminal cases.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-7-301, is amended by deleting the third sentence of subsection (a)(1) and substituting instead the following:

If and only if the outpatient evaluator concludes that further evaluation and treatment are needed, the court may order the defendant hospitalized, and if in a department facility, in the custody of the commissioner for not more than twenty-one (21) days for further evaluation and treatment for competence to stand trial subject to the availability of suitable accommodations.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.